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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the subject application as follows:

## In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 29-38 without prejudice to applicants' right to pursue the subject matter of these claims in a future application. Please add new claims 46-55 as follows:

1-46.

A method for treating an ischemic disorder in a subject which comprises administering to the subject a pharmaceutically acceptable form of chemically inactivated Factor IXa in a sufficient amount over a sufficient time period to inhibit coagulation so as to thereby treat the ischemic disorder in the subject.--

--47.

The method of claim 46, wherein the sufficient amount comprises from about 75  $\mu g/kg$  to about 550  $\mu g/kg$ .--